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Regulating Gut Motility and Food  
Intake

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115**

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is made to bring the above-identified U.S. national stage application into compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.78 for the purpose of claiming the benefit of and priority to related, earlier filed applications.

As this paper is being filed before receipt of a first office action on the merits and as no amendment to the claims is made, no fee is believed to be due.

Please amend the specification as indicated on the following sheet.